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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

JOAQUIN A. RODRIGUEZ TORRES, )  
 CORNELIA M. STEUBE, ) No. C 07-3345 TEH  
 Plaintiffs, )  
 v. )  
 GERARD HEINAUER, Director, U.S. )  
 Citizenship and Immigration Services, )  
 Nebraska Service Center; )  
 DR. EMILIO T. GONZALEZ, Director, U.S. )  
 Citizenship and Immigration Services; )  
 MICHAEL CHERTOFF, Secretary of the U.S. )  
 Department of Homeland Security; )  
 ROBERT MUELLER, Director, )  
 Federal Bureau of Investigations; )  
 ALBERTO GONZALES, Attorney General, )  
 U.S. Department of Justice, )  
 Defendants. )  
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Each of the undersigned certifies that he or she has read either the handbook entitled "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California," or the specified portions of the ADR Unit's Internet site <[www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov](http://www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov)>, discussed the available dispute resolution options provided by the court and private entities, and considered whether this case might benefit from any of them. Here, the parties agree that referral to a formal ADR process will not be beneficial because this mandamus action is limited to plaintiffs' request that this Court compel

1 defendants to adjudicate their applications for adjustment of status. Given the substance of the  
2 action and the lack of any potential middle ground, ADR will only serve to multiply the  
3 proceedings and unnecessarily tax court resources. Accordingly, pursuant to ADR L.R. 3-3(c), the  
4 parties request the case be removed from the ADR Multi-Option Program and that they be excused  
5 from participating in the ADR phone conference and any further formal ADR process.

6 Dated: September 10, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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12 Dated: September 10, 2007

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**ORDER**

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Pursuant to stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED.

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20 Date:

21 THELTON E. HENDERSON  
22 United States District Judge

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